

## RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

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In re Application  
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#### PATENT APPLICATION

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Sir:

This RESPONSE A is in reply to the Office Action mailed April 15, 2004. No fee is due for the addition of any new claims. An appropriate Petition for Extension of Time to Respond is submitted herewith, together with the appropriate fee. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 12 of this paper.